(f) whether it is not a fact that the above amount can be spent on reconstructing the old Post Office building at Pondi-sherry?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) No, Sir. The building is not in a dilapidated condition. The space available there is adequate and necessary facilities have been provided to the employees.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) As the building is in good condition and has adequate space, the question does not arise.

(d) In view of reply to (c) above, the question does not arise.

(e) There is a proposal to construct an Inspection Quarter at Pondicherry Head Post Office the estimate for which i§ about Rs. 14.17 lakhs.

(f) In view of what is stated in (c) above reconstruction of the building is not ocnsidered necessary.

Hindustan Shipyard Limited

404 SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindustan Shipyard Limited has no orders for Ship-bOilding and Offshore Platforms;

(b) if so, whether Government are taking steps to procure orders for Hin dustan Shipyard Limited, Visakhapatnam;

(c) the details thereof;

(d) whether Government propose to advance funds to Hindustan Shipyard Limited *to* save it from financial crisis due to lack of orders; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(a) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Grant of freedom fighters pension

405. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to consider requests received after the due date for grant of freedom fighters pension;

(b) whether applications received from the applicants of Hyderabad are being considered; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE TN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) The applications received after the prescribed last date are considered only if these are accompanied with documentary evidence from the official records and sufficient reasons exist for condonation of delay.

(c) As and when such applications are received these are examined for disposal on merits of each case.

Grievances of Students of JNU

406. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a copy of a memorandum orginally submitted to the Regional Manager (Operations), South, Delhi Transport Corporation, by the Jawaharlal Nehru University Students' Union about the problems faced by students in respect of bus services;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government has taken or propose *to take to* redress their grievances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE-MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The main demands contained in the memorandum are:—

(i) Restoration of last trip on route no. 666.

(ii) Regular operation of the services of route no. 615 and 666.

(iii) Extension of services of route no. 507 and 603 upto Poorvanphal Hostel.

(c) Following action has been taken by DTC on the memorandum:—

(i) Last trip at 2230 hours on route no. 666 discontinued earlier has been restored w.e.f. 29-4-91.

(ii) Instructions have been issued to the concerned Depot Authorities to ensure regular and punctual operation of services on route nos. 615 and 666.

(iii) Extension of route no. 507 from Munirka and route no. 603 from CPWD Colony Vasant Vihar to JNU is not feasible as it will result in-drop in efficiency from the present level and increase in the waiting time of the commuters currently patronising there services. The reduction of the service level of these two routes will also affect adversely the residents of Munirka, R. K. Puram and Vasant Vihar including the office complex at R. K. Puram.

DTC has services from Parijat apartments to Centnd Secretariat

407. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS PORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether It is a fact that only oal DTC bus service is functioning from part jat Apartments to Central Secretariate causing considerable hardship to resident of Sansad Vihar, Triveni and Parijst Apartments on Outer Ring Road, Delhi;

(b) if so, whether Government propose to incresae the frequency of the service' on this route keeping in view the heavy rush of commuters; if so, the details there of; and

(c) if not, whether Govemment propose to put additional buses at least during peak hours in the mornings and evenings to clear the heavy rush of Government employees/passengers; if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) Though one limited service is in operation from Parijat Apartment yet the following services for Central Secretariat are also available for the residents of Parijat Apartment and its adjoining areas:—

(i) The regular bus service of route no. 984 are available for them at Rohini Terminal ITI which is at a walkable distance from Parijat Apartment. Route no. 984 which strts from Rohini Terminal III terminates at Safdarjung Terminal and is operating *via* Central Secretariat.

(ii) The following limited stop trips are also available for them from a walkable distance:—

Time	From	To
8.10	Pushpanjali	Udyog Bhawan
8.35	Pushpanjali	Udyog Bhawan
7.40	Kanjhawla	Central Secretariat via, Mangolpur School/Pushpanjali